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I.	<u>Profession</u>	<u>Accrediting Agency or Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Date of Admission</u>
	<i>Attorney</i>	<i>State of New York</i>	<i>1996</i>
		<i>United States District Court</i>	<i>1996</i>
		<i>Southern District of New York</i>	
		<i>United States District Court</i>	<i>1996</i>
		<i>Eastern District of New York</i>	

II.	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Date of Admission</u>	<u>Active/Inactive</u>
	<i>Nassau County Bar Association</i>	<i>1994</i>	<i>Active</i>
	<i>New York State Bar Association</i>	<i>1995</i>	<i>Active</i>
	<i>American Bankruptcy Institute</i>	<i>1996</i>	<i>Active</i>
	<i>Columbian Lawyers Association of Nassau County</i>	<i>1998</i>	<i>Active</i>
	<i>American Bar Association</i>	<i>1999</i>	<i>Active</i>
	<i>Turnaround Management Association, Long Island Chapter</i>	<i>1999</i>	<i>Active</i>
	<i>Association of Trial Lawyers</i>	<i>2004</i>	<i>Active</i>
	<i>National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>Active</i>

III. General professional experience

My experience with bankruptcy law started in 1993 working as a law clerk at the Office of the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of New York. From there, I joined the firm Jaspan Schlesinger Silverman & Hoffman, LLP, working in the bankruptcy department.

My daily practice entails primarily representing Bankruptcy Trustees pursuing and liquidating assets for the benefit of creditors. This creates an extensive litigation practice. I also represent Chapter 11 Debtors and Chapter 7 Consumer Debtors. Outside of bankruptcy, I have extensive experience in real estate transactions representing buyers, sellers and lenders. The last aspect of my practice includes commercial business transactions. This involves representing many small businesses as their general counsel, doing contract negotiations and collections.

IV. General pertinent experience

I have represented parties in virtually all aspects of bankruptcy cases and out of court restructuring. Although most of my practice is dedicated to litigation, I have forged a reputation as a keen advocate who understands the balance of litigation costs and risk. That experience allows me to excel when trying to advance a client's position and determine where compromise is most needed.

V. Mediation Training And Experience

*I have read 2 books on mediation: a) *The Mediator's Handbook*, by Jennifer Beer and Eileen Stief, and b) *Basic Skills for the New Mediator*, by Alan Goodman. I have also read "Getting to Yes" by Robert Ury.*

I have also been involved in several mediation's on behalf of clients and believe that my practical experience as a bankruptcy litigator representing Trustees has assisted in understanding the importance of the dispute resolution process.

I completed training at the Southern District of New York under the Abrams Mediation Training and Negotiation for three (3) full days. I also completed a mediation training workshop sponsored by the Nassau Bar Association and the Turnaround Management Association in April, 2005 for 3 hours.

VI. Pertinent bankruptcy training

Representing clients in every aspect of a bankruptcy case provides a broad range of capabilities and allows one to understand the Bankruptcy Code from all angles. This has allowed me to develop an ability to understand trial practice, post trial briefs, discovery issues, burdens of proof, and the costs involved in pursuing litigation. This experience is important in mediating disputes between parties.

VII. General pertinent business or legal experience

I authored a Hofstra Law Review Journal Note entitled, At the Crossroads of Environmental Laws and the Bankruptcy Code: Abandonment and Trustee Personal Liability, vol. 23:879. This Note was published in Hofstra Law Review and awarded First Place in the 1995 New York State Bar Association Environmental Law Essay Contest. I am also the Chairman of the Bankruptcy Committee for the Nassau County Bar Association.

IX. Fee Structure

My current hourly rate is \$325.00 per hour. I am willing to work with the parties to determine an appropriate fee structure and expense reimbursement.